200 Attended Visitacion Valley Community Center's 73rd Birthday Party

VVCC Celebrates 73rd Anniversary in Style

On March 14, 1991, the members and friends of Visitacion Valley Community Center celebrated the 73rd Birthday of the Center with a Program and Dinner at the Florence P. Friedman building at 66 Raymond Avenue. Hors d'oeuvres were served prior to the Program, which featured memories of our founder, Florence Friedman, by Anita Johnson, Alma Taylor and Irene Terry; a historical sketch by Patricia Crocker; musical entertainment by John H. Choy and by Maria Canoy; as well as selections by the 50 Raymond Childcare classes under the direction of Micheal Jones, Pamela Kwan, Naifeng Liu, Flor Trujillo, Brenda Haynes and Gloria Williams.

Center Director Julie Kavanagh thanked the attendees for their support of the Center and announced the five winners of the VVCC Birthday Party Raffle: Jun Jie and Joseph Lew, Harvey Tse, Anita Johnson, The Coturri's and Mickey Sandoval. She then reminded all to look forward to the 1991 Arts Festival, Street Fair & Parade, our 7th Annual, to be held on May 18, 1991; and to begin to prepare for our big 75th Anniversary in 1993, for which we hope to have a huge celebration.

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DOOR TO DOOR SCAM?

by Gerry L. Galvan

An extortionist, posing as a concerned mother in dire need of immediate cash to buy medicine for her asthmatic child, has repeatedly pulled the wool over the eyes of many Visitacion Valley residents to the annoyance of everyone whose doorbell she has rung during her escapades.

Just about each targeted resident, whether giving in to the plea for help or not, has reservations on the validity of the extortionist's claim that the money goes into purchase of medicine. One housewife who parted with her last ten dollar bill says of her donation, "I had to give her the money. How would I know that she wasn't telling the truth? Suppose her child was really sick and I refused to help her, would I not be shirking my moral duty as a Christian and neighbor?" The same housewife added, "If she was lying, and most probably she was lying, then the problem was hers, not mine."

Another Visitacion Valley resident, equally decent and civilized as the above alluded housewife has this story to tell. "I was in my study when the doorbell rang. I peeked through the door peephole and asked, 'May I help you?' and she replied that I certainly could. Would I please, according to her imploring voice which came out amidst her simulated rapid breathing, give her nine dollars and twenty-five cents to buy medicine for her child who was suffering from asthma. It was the same amount and same modus operandi, so I told her that I couldn't help her because I didn't have that kind of money that moment."

Residing not far from the two abovementioned personalities and also getting into the "My daughter is sick and I need your $9.25 help" situation was a charmed lady who parted with seven dollars over the objections of her daughters. "It was a no-win situation," she explained her "benevolent gesture".

There appears to be a pattern in all of this. Just about all the recently targeted victims were Filipinos, just as all of the three situations mentioned above were Filipinos. What this means, nobody has come up with a definite explanatiion yet. Someone, however, has ventured the opinion that the internationally known Filipino hospitality has attracted many a con man/extortionist into preying on many a Filipino. True or

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Irene Terry gave a moving tribute to Florence Friedman, founder of Visitacion Community Center

CALIFORNIA NUMBER 1 IN AUTO THEFTS

As many of us can attest, San Francisco is a City that has more than it's share of auto thefts and burglaries. Therefore, it was no surprise to find that, according to the National President of the Fraternal Order of Police, Mr. Dewey R. Stokes, California had the highest number of auto thefts in 1989, with 298,445 thefts. This was more than 100 thousand over the number two state, New York, which had 171,007 thefts. San Francisco had the 16th highest auto theft rate of all American Cities in the same year, with 9,676 thefts.

In order to combat this shockingly common crime, the F.O.P. has launched "Operation Lock-Up", a National community relations program designed to educate the Public about auto theft and how to prevent it.

From Mr. Stokes, then, are the following 10 tips for preventing Auto Theft:

1. Always lock your car and remove the keys.
2. Park your car in a garage, if possible. Lock both your car and the garage.
3. Install an anti-theft device that is highly visible, hard to defeat and that renders the car undriveable -- like the Club, a

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Medical Miracle at St Luke's

St. Luke's Hospital at 3555 Army Street has obtained a Magnetic-resonance Imaging unit (MRI) for the benefit of their patients. This machine is one which will enable the Doctors there to be much more accurate in their diagnoses and will make it easier for certain illnesses to be diagnosed much sooner than before. Often, time is the enemy in fighting such diseases as cancer, because the sooner it is discovered, the better chance there is of a cure.

The MRI is a very interesting machine. It has only been in general use since the mid-1980's, and then it was rare, due to the high cost of the machine. It is a very large circular magnet. The human body is passed through the circle, and the magnet is turned on. Each molecule in your body has a magnetic pole (north and south/positive and negative). When the magnet is turned on, all the magnetic poles of your molecules are turned the same way in line with the magnetic pull. Then, when the magnet is turned off, all the molecules in your body spin very fast back to their normal positions. As they spin, they give off energy in the form of radio waves, which are picked up by the MRI and are what transmits the "picture" to the screen. The exciting thing about this type of picture is that it can show soft tissue as well as bones, so it shows more detail than the X-Ray or even the CT Scan. That is why many cancers and other soft tissue problems can be diagnosed more easily and quickly. Additionally, the magnet and radio waves do not present a danger to humans as X-Rays do. The process is painless, and allows minute internal examinations without having to undergo unnecessary surgery.

The MRI is one of the big advances in medical high technology that is changing our lives in a very exciting, positive way. We're glad to know that our closest neighboring hospital is offering us the latest in medical advances.

CENTERVIEW

by Julie Kavanagh

Spring is here. The war is over, we think. The drought is over, we hope. The world is at a turning point, and what happens next is largely up to all of us. Some of the things that are happening right now are not so good, such as the increase in bigotry and racism that has been noticed recently all over our country. Other things are good, such as the increased cooperation and activism that can be seen in our Valley and in our City.

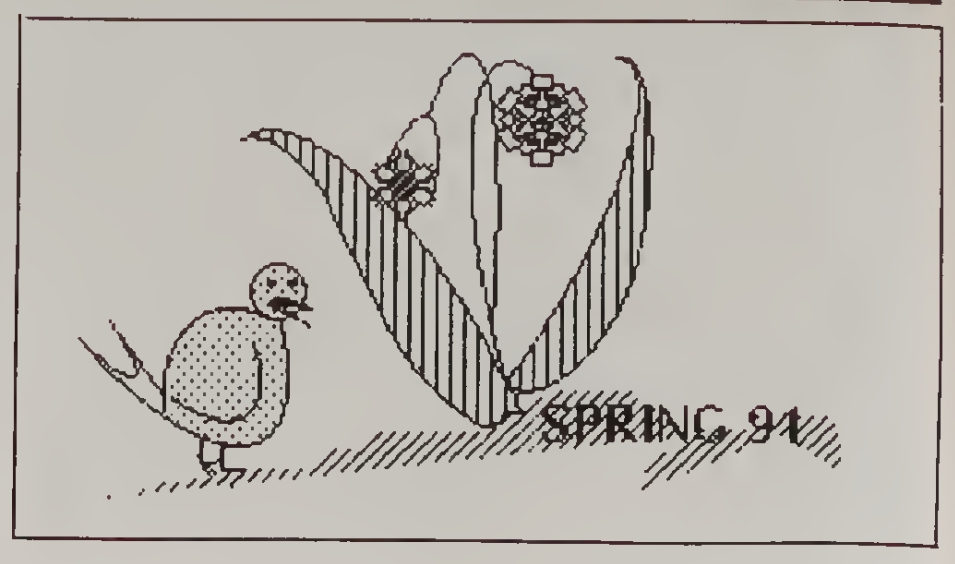
As I said, the future is up to us. If we choose to have a positive world around us, we must promote the positive. When we are faced with negative influences, we must work twice as hard at being even more positive. Getting along with others is not easy at all. We must constantly work at it, with partners, family, friends and everyone with whom we communicate. We cannot become discouraged when faced with negativity...it is much more contagious than happiness. If we let ourselves become part of this negative force, it will multiply even faster and hope will be lost.

But hope is here...and there...and waiting for us to affirm it. How? There are many things we can do, but for starters here are a few suggestions:

- Do something positive for yourself. Take a long walk. Sit at the beach or the park for a while and enjoy the air. See a movie or read a good book. Take yourself out to lunch. Call an old friend you have thought about calling, but haven't had (or made) the time to call.
- Do something positive for someone else. Babysit for a friend's kids some evening so that they can get out alone. Listen to a friend...let your friend talk about a problem or worry without your being judgemental or giving advice, if they just want to have someone to share their burden. Touch someone with a pat or touch them with a smile. Bake cookies, send flowers, write a note, offer to help. Open up your heart and mind. Tell something about yourself...let someone find out that you two have something in common...make a friend. Volunteer for a worthy cause. Give back some of what you receive. Your church, your club, your daycare center, the library where you borrow books, the after school program that takes care of your child...all cannot exist without your help. No time?...The busiest people are always the ones who seem to be able to find the time for just one more volunteer task...and one more...and another!
- Take something positively. Take others' opinions and advice graciously and gratefully. Be happy that someone cares enough about you to offer help. Do not be judgemental about the help they offer. Even if someone criticizes you, take it as a compliment that you are noticed. One of the wisest ladies I know, when put down publicly by an opponent during a political campaign, said: "My opponent is doing me a favor...every time she mentions my name, she is giving me valuable advertising". Remember, people are judged by what they say, and not necessarily by what others say about them. If a person always is negative, it reflects on them, but people may be so used to hearing them criticize that they are not believed or taken seriously. If it is positive, it reflects on them and you it a positive way. Remember this, too, when you are tempted to criticize someone else...is it worth it? Will your negative words reflect back on you?
- Give yourself time to think. Turn off the TV and radio and get away from the video games and other passive forms of stimulation. Think about your life. Think about your goals. How would you like your life to be? What is important to you? How does it relate to others' wants and needs?

All this sounds pretty simplistic and naive, doesn't it? But don't be fooled...I'm talking about hard work here. In fact, the hardest thing about this work is rejecting the charges that people throw about being naive. Who likes to risk being thought of as foolish? Risk taking is never easy, and your ego is the hardest thing to risk of all. The reward, however, is becoming an example to others, who in turn will adopt a positive attitude and eventually feel secure enough themselves to risk the "Mary Poppins" label.

You know, this could be dangerous. If we can get the positive "virus" to spread as fast as the negative one, we might be able to change a lot more than we think we can!



EDITORIAL: SAVE OUR SCHOOLS

Word has reached our local public schools that Governor Wilson, the man who has pledged to protect and improve the education system of California, now proposes to make large cuts in the public schools' funding in order to balance the State budget. Our public schools are funded by a complicated formula that combines federal, state and local funding in a "matching funds" arrangement; which means that the cuts proposed by the Governor most likely mean loss of these other "matching funds" as well. In practical terms, it means that teachers and support staff will be laid off, books will not be purchased and there will be no supplies bought. Many people say that it doesn't matter as long as "Programs" are not cut. But, what are Programs? There can be no Programs without people to run them...that is teachers and paraprofessionals, counselors and coaches and nurses, etc. If you don't have money for heat and toilet tissue, the Health Department will close you down, yet no one wants to spend the money for paying bills like that. Admittedly, these items are not glamourous nor do they sound like the stuff from which Programs are made; yet this is exactly what makes a Program...this, and a lot of dedicated teachers and leaders. Many of those teachers and leaders have been lost to higher paying jobs. After all, many have families to support, and cannot do so on Teacher's pay. Still, we are going to cut some more!

Remember the lottery? This was to save our Schools with large infusions of money. Did local Schools benefit in Programs from this lottery money? No, because the State made a rule that lottery money could not be used to pay for recurring items such as salaries. They were afraid that the lottery would not make a constant enough source of money upon which to depend for salaries and such.

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Valley Vitals

Births

To Sylvia Ojeda and Lester Rubin, a daughter, Frances Patricia Rubin, born on March 4, 1991; a healthy 6 pounds, 7 ounces.

To Annie and Sam Tan Nguyen, a son, Patrick. Born on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 1991 at 12:17 PM, Patrick weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces.

To Dawn and Micheal Shen, a son, Daniel Howl Shen, born November 23, 1990.

Wedding Announcement

On April 20, 1991, Ms. Terri White will wed Len Appiano. Len is the production manager here at the Grapevine, and Terri is a nurse at Kaiser Hospital. Best wishes to both for a long and happy life together.

At Rest

Ellen Larson, February 1991
Agnes Milani, February 1991
Marie Newman, March 1991
Anna Mae Rose, 1991.

Our deepest sympathy to their families.

Good Job!

June Campbell has been promoted to a managerial position at Strouds Linens.

Janet M. Redmond is the Correspondence Coordinator for Seabourn Cruise Line.

Congratulations!

Myradin Sabido, an 11th grader at Woodrow Wilson High School took first place in the San Francisco Unified School District's Dr. Martin Luthur King Essay Contest. Myradin topped a field of 508 contestants.

Sunnydale Rec News...

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Shirletha Holmes-Boxx ©

NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT AT ITS BEST

Over one hundred forty (140) residents came out to vote at the Sunnydale Resident Association's election held on Thursday, March 14,1991.

The election committee worked very hard to get their community involved in the election process. The committee held a candidates night where the nominees shared their vision for the future of Sunnydale if they were elected. The committee decided to have the polls open 10am to 8pm to parallel a city-wide election and to get the residents accustomed to voting. One resident said,"I was overwhelmed and proud of the large turnout. Residents were tired of the fighting and wanted new leadership."

The process was quite exciting as the candidates planned their campaign strategy prepared fliers and canvassed their community.

The Sunnydale Community Resident election results is as follows:

PRESIDENT:
CYNTHIA WILLIAMS 96
BRENDA STRINGER 33

VICE PRESIDENT:
SHIRLEY DORTON 71
MARSHA KYER 54

SECRETARY :
DELORES FIELDS 97
MILDRED WILLIAMS 36

ASST. SECRETARY:
LYNETTE JOHNSON 76
ZAKIYYAH MAHASIN 45

TREASURER:
MINERVA LEWIS 107

SERGEANT AT ARMS:
ANNETTE WILLIAMS 50
MELANIE MOOREHEAD 35
DELTREA CRAYTON 23

The swearing in ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27, 1991 at 5pm. Father Jim Goode, Vice Chair, of San Francisco Housing Authority Commission will swear in the new officers. We wish this new Sunnydale Leadership the best of luck as they begin to represent the many needs of the families of their development.

A special thanks to Mrs. Queen Esther Pitre and the San Francisco Police Department for counting the votes.

HOPE FOR VISITACION VALLEY PARK

THERE HAVE BEEN NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE CRIME THAT OCCURS AT THE VISITACION VALLEY PLAYGROUND. RESIDENTS OF THE VALLEY ARE DEMANDING THAT IMMEDIATE ACTION BE TAKEN TO CLEAN UP THE PARK.

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, SF RECREATION & PARKS SUPERINTENDENTS, SFUSD

ADMINISTRATORS, MERCHANTS, COMMUNITY AGENCIES, CONCERNED AND FEARFUL RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN MEETING TO DECIDE WHAT THE FATE OF THE PARK WILL BE. SHOULD THEY TEAR DOWN THE RECREATION BUILDING THAT ONCE HOUSED PROGRAMS THAT HAVE SINCE BECOME DEFUNCT? SHOULD THEY HIRE SOMEONE FROM THE COMMUNITY THAT IS FAMILIAR WITH THE YOUTH THAT ARE ENGAGED IN DESTRUCTIVE CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR TO WORK AS RECREATIONAL DIRECTOR AT THE PARK? THAT SOMEONE MUST HAVE INFLUENCE IN THE COMMUNITY AND WITH THE YOUTH THAT FREQUENT THE PARK.

GOOD NEWS.....

Ron de Leon, Superintendent of Parks met with community activist and concerned residents of the Valley and committed to repairing the lights along with the structural damage at the park.

Joel Robinson, Superintendent of Recreation met with the youth that are "hanging out" at the park to discuss the concerns that the community has regarding the destruction of the park and the crime that is occurring at the park. At the meeting held in the park on March 20, youth stated that if the recreation center was open and they could participate in structured recreational activities, this would be a deterrent for the youth that are involved in destructive and criminal activities , providing them with alternatives. Mr. Robinson, has identified a leader of the community, Nafoa Tauala, who is willing to work as recreation director at the park. Nafoa is very influential in the community, moreover, he has developed a rapport with the youth. under the supervision of Nafoa the youth stated they were willing to clean-up the recreation center and do whatever is necessary to get the center opened. They also committed to assist in making the park a drug-free and peaceful place where all members of the community would feel safe to frequent. The meeting adjourned on a positive note, with another meeting date being set for March 29th at 5:00 pm, at 50 Raymond Ave in the ballroom.

Visitacion Valley Community's MYEEP, has committed to hire 3 youth that frequent the park. These three youth will be hired as peer leaders. Their duties will include monitoring the youth at the park and assisting in keeping the peace in the park. Recreation and Park has stated they will also hire 4-6 youth workers to assist in maintaining the park facilities. This will give the youth a sense of pride and ownership towards the park.

The vision the Valley shares for the park is finally about to materializel

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SUNNYDALE TENANTS ASSN NEWS

INTRODUCING:

CYNTHIA WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT, SUNNYDALE TENANTS ASSOCIATION

Greetings, my name is Cynthia Williams, I am the new President of the Sunnydale Tenants Association.

I would like to thank every resident of Sunnydale who came out, voted and elected me as President of the Tenant Association. I will do everything in my power to uphold this position. I realize this position holds a lot of responsibilities and I am ready to take them on. I am committed to improving the quality of life for the residents of Sunnydale.

In the past, I have worked with Gang for God Inc., The Stop Killing Start Healing Committee. I've also had the pleasure of participating and supporting many of the youth events in Sunnydale. I am always willing to listen to your ideas, complaints or comments. Please always feel free to aproach me with any problems that may occur and I will do my best to resolve them.

In closing I would like to say, with the help of God and the people, we can't go wrong. Once again Thank you and God Bless you all.

A VISION OF SUNNYDALE

Imagine a sunny day, children playing in new play areas, people relaxing in private gardens and patios around freshly painted homes with new landscaping. Inside, there are completely new kitchens & bathrooms. The living rooms and bedrooms have new paint, lighting fixtures & flooring. The remodeled Sunnydale "Community Center" has programs and activities for people of all ages to play, socialize, learn new skills and grow. There's a growing feeling of security, healthiness and positive attitudes. Should we pinch ourselves? Is this just a vision or can we make this happen? We can if we work together to make this dream come true. It's going to take a great effort to work out the details. It will also take a long time, maybe 5 years.

The Working Group is collecting information from everybody (residents, SFHA departments, service organizations, city agencies, the utilities & others) about how to make Sunnydale better. After this, a master plan will be drafted and presented to you for your comments and ideas at a community meeting around April, 1991. The plan then will be revised. During the design process which will start in the Spring of 1991, there will be presentations made at community meetings. We will ask for your thoughts and ideas again. The architects will integrate those ideas which have the greatest popular appeal, effectiveness and feasibility. After completing the drawings there will be another presentation to you of the final design with a model so that you can see the plan as clearly as possible.

Black & White Bowl to "Give Kids a Chance"

The third annual Black & White Bowl will be held Saturday, May 4th at the Park Bowl's weekend music and video-enhanced "Rock 'n Bowl" at 1855 Haight Street. In addition to bowling, there will be food, music, dancing, a fashion parade, billiards, door prizes, a photo booth, silent auction and much more from 8:00 PM to 2:00 AM.

The Black & White Bowl is to benefit the Family Service Agency's "Give Kids a Chance" Program, which is providing help for parents and children with substance abuse problems.

Tickets for bowlers are $35 per person or $210 for a team of six; non-bowlers at $20 per person. Tickets will be available at the door for an additional $5 to pre-registered price. Donations are also gratefully accepted. For tickets or more information, call Patricia Wilson at 929-2406.

Sunnydale Modernization

As you may have heard, the Housing Authority has received funds from the Federal Government to modernize Sunnydale. The Sunnydale Modernization Project Working Group has been organized to work together in planning the modernization. It is made up of six tenant representatives, Housing Authority representatives and Planning & Design consultants: Marquis Associates, Fleming Corporation and their associated consultants. The tenant representatives are Queen Esther Pitre, Roxie McCormick, Brenda Stringer, Marcus Freeman, Essie Smith and Delores Fields.

This group has already been busy meeting with the tenants, Housing Authority, the utility companies, City agencies and neighborhood organizations in order to obtain as much input into the planning process as possible. They are working on a Master Plan, which will be drafted based on this input and presented to the tenants at a community meeting in April. At this time, more suggestions and comments may be made.

The goal of the Sunnydale Modernization Project is to improve the living conditions of the Sunnydale residents by modernizing the apartments, fixing or replacing worn out items and creating a safe and secure site. The major construction work is slated to start around the Spring of 1992 (a year from now). Although the buildings will not be demolished, the renovations are expected to be major, and the tenants will have to temporarily relocate. The Housing Authority will pay for moving costs, and the tenants in good standing will all be allowed to return when their apartments are ready. Rents will not be raised after the modernization is done.

The Sunnydale Modernization Project Working Group is publishing a monthly newsletter called "Sunnydale Working Together". The first issue was February 1991, and the purpose is to keep the tenants informed of the progress of the modernization project. The Sunnydale Boys & Girls Club held a contest to design the logo for "Sunnydale Working Together". The logo, now used on the newsletter, is the design of Jonathan Smith. Congratulations to Jonathan for a very professional, attractive logo.

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Ni Gerry L. Galvan

May isang hindi katantahang babae na tuwi tuwi na'y bumabalisa sa mga mamayang tiga Visitacion; siya'y kumakatok sa pintuan ng mga kanayon at nasasabing may sakit na hika ang kanyang anak na dapat malunasan sa madaling panahon, at mamarapating limusin siya ng sapat na halaga.

Karamihan sa kanyang mga pinupuntahang mga mamamaya'y hindi lubus naniniwala sa kanyang salitang, "Ang pera'y ukol sa gamot ng kanyang anak na maysakit." Ang isang ginang nagbigay ny sampung dolyar ay nagsabing ganito,"Binigyan ko siya ng pera. Sinong makapagsabing hindi tutoo ang kanyang pagmamakaawa? Sakaling ang kanyang anak ay tunay na may karamdaman at hindi ko siya linimusan, hindi ba ako'y tumalikod sa tungkuling maka-Kristiano at kapitbahay." Dugtung pa niya, "Sakaling nagsinungaling siya, at sa aking palagay siya'y nagsinungaling, hindi ko na kasalanan yoon."

Mayroong isang mamamayang Visitacion pa rin na tulad din ny nabanggit na ginang na kapwa ulira't asal-kanaisnais ay nalagay sa pangyayaring tulad ng nabanggit, at nasabing, "Ako'y nagbabasa't sumusulat sa aking aklatan noong may kumatok sa aming pintuan; ako'y sumilip at nagtanong ng Ano ang mavpaglilingkod ko sa invo. at siya'y nagsabing nangangaylangan siya ng siyam na dolyar at dalawang pu't limang centimos na gamitang pambiling gamot sa hika ng kanyang anak. Siya'y halos hindi makapagsalita sa pakitang pagod na pagod dahil sa hapurahang takbo at akyat hagdan sa amin. Ang uri ng kanyang paraan ay tulad hakma sa nabalitaan ko na sa mga kanayon kaya sinabi kong wala akong pera."

Ang bungad salitang,"Ang anak ko'y may sakit at kailangan ko ang siyam na dolyar at dalawang pu't limang centimos" ay binigkas din sa isa pang kilala namin. Siya'y naglimus ng halagang pitong dolyar, bagkus yoo'y salungat sa mungkahi ng kanyang dalawang anak na babae na huwag bigyan ng pera ang nagbabalatkayong tao.

Sa aming palagay, ang mangagantsung babae'y pinipili niya ang kanyang kinakatukan. Halos lahat ng nakaranas ng nasabing paglimus ay mga Pilipino. Sa ngayo'y wala pang nagbitaw ng kuru kurung tiyak at tumpak na kasagutan kung bakit mga Pilipino ay kara mihang "biktima."

Datapwat, may nagsabing ganito ang takbo ng pamamaraan ng nasabing babaeng manggagantsu dahil sa tanyag na kaugalihang Pilipinong matulungin sa mga taong nangangailangan, kahit na ang taong ito'y lubus hindi kaanoano o kilala man sa bilisang tingin. Lumilitaw na ang magandang asal na ito ng mga Pilipino'y sagabal pa sa kanilang sana'y tahimik na pamumuhay.

Sa ngayon ni isang mamamaya'y hindi pa nagsumbung sa polisiya, dahil marahil walang batas na naguula' makialam ang mga maykapangyarihan sa bagay na ito. Tutoo nga, mayroong nasasaktan at mayroong nababalisa sa paulit-ulit na katok pinto sa kalalimang gabi. Ang dapat lumutas sa suliraning ito'y ang mangagatsu at ang mga may ari ng tahanang pinupunturihan.

Maliwanag na ang mga tahanang nababalisa ang umisip at kumilos ayon sa kani-kanilang pakiramdam. Wasto at tumpak kung ibali walang dahing ng nasabing mangagantsu. O dili kaya'y bigyan siya ng pera kahit na maliwanag na kasinungalingan ang dahing ng gumising sa kanila. Hindi sila mawawalahang ganang kumain o matulog man.

WCC'S GANG PREVENTION MAN OF THE MONTH

HARRISON LOVE

Harry is a very developed young man that is told often that he is conceited or "stuck" on his body. Well! Harry's reply to that is,"Yes I am stuck on my body or proud of my accomplishments that my body symbolizes; Hard work, nutritious eating habits, not drinking alcohol or smoking. Even when I do not feel like going to the center to lift weights, I push myself to do it anyway....self motivation.....These are all characteristics that are missing from the lives of our youth. I hope that I can be the positive role model that the youth need - one of high esteem!

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not, the pattern has left the Filipino-American community in the Visitacion Valley uncomfortably uneasy. It is felt that what normally has been considered a virtuous trait has become some kind of handicap on the Filipino-Americans.

So far, no one has been reported to complain to Police authorities as there seems to be no legal reason to do so. However, the moral aspects of the problem are very much in evidence. There is the question of propriety or impropriety on the part of the nocturnal woman extortionist on the one hand and the victims on the other hand.

Clearly, the burden has been on the victims and intended victims. They can always dismiss the evening caller as an unwelcome predator or they can close their eyes to what they believe is a hoax and part with their hard earned money to the extortionist. In either case, they will not lose sleep or appetite over their decision whatever angle it takes.

This issue was discussed during a Sunday school meeting some weeks ago and the consensus was that the nocturnal beggar was a phony and the decision to give or not to give her money was the individual's own responsibility, not the police's, not the church's not the town mayor's.

The warning is "Be prepared to deal with the problem when it knocks at your door."

Multicultural Activities at Visitacion Valley Elementary School

Black History Month Assembly

Wushu Lion Dance to celebrate the Lunar New Year

Little Hollywood Reports

by: Don Bertone ©

The next general membership meeting of the Little Hollywood Association will be on Tuesday, April 9th, 7:00 PM, at the Korean Presbyterian Church on 120 Lathrop Avenue. Everyone in Vis Valley is invited to attend our meetings because most of the issues we talk about affect us all. For more information call 467-9669. Please note that unless an article appears in the GRAPEVINE announcing a meeting, there will be no meeting for that month. Special interests or problems can always be brought up at any meeting. Guest speakers are always invited to attend. This is your forum, so make it work. The only reason that our neighborhood does not get run over with problems like so many others is that we have such a strong group that is heard downtown and gets things done. There is always plenty of free parking right outside the front door. The GRAPEVINE can be found in newspaper boxes and stores around the area or is mailed to those that have paid their LHA membership dues. This is the ONLY paper that tells what's going on in the neighborhood, so if you don't get it, you miss out. Come to the meeting and make yourself heard or don't complain later that nothing gets done, or even worse, something you don't want gets done.

Captain Rich Holder from Potrero Station will be at this meeting to tell us about the new CPOP program which puts uniformed police on foot patrol in Vis Valley. The aim of the program is to give us access to officers who are actually stationed here full time. The way it is now, we have to call 911 and never get any results. We have been fortunate enough to be on a good working relationship with our precinct captains, but we have to wait until we see them at our neighborhood meetings. Now we can contact the patrolling officers on a daily basis. I have been attending the Police-Community Relations meetings every month and this is one of the programs that will come to this neighborhood as a result of our community support.

A memorandum of Understanding has been reached with the San Francisco Executive Park which will provide a means for the residents of ZIP code area 94134 and 94124 to get the first opportunity to be employed there for both the construction and permanent jobs that will eventually be coming up. The Little Hollywood Association will be the Agency for this area that will handle all the processing, screening, notification and other duties that go along with this program. 50% of the job openings are to go to qualified people from this area. Applications can always be picked up at any Little Hollywood meeting.

More updates concerning the appeal to the Board of Supervisors on the Hester Avenue project will be talked about at this meeting.

SAVE OUR SCHOOLS

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What can we do? Is it hopeless? Do we just have to sit back and allow our "Education Governor" to gut the Public Schools? We think not. Write to Honorable Pete Wilson, Governor, State of California, State Capitol, Sacramento, CA. 95814; or call him at 1(916)-445-8994. Tell him that we will not stand for balancing the budget on the backs of our children...our future! Ask him to enforce Proposition 98, which the voters of California approved to protect the Schools from these kinds of wholesale cuts. How can he veto a Proposition that showed the will of the voters of California as if these voters didn't matter?

Others who can influence the enforcement of Proposition 98, and should be written to are: Honorable Willie L. Brown, Jr., Speaker of the Assembly, 17th District, 1388 Sutter Street., #1002, San FRancisco, Ca. 94109 (phone 557-0784); Honorable Leo T. McCarthy, Lieutenant Governor, State Capitol, Sacramento, Ca., 95814 (phone 415-556-4307); Honorable Milton Marks, Senator, Third District, 711 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 310, San Francisco, Ca. 94102 (phone 474-0308); Honorable Quentin Kopp, Senator, 8th District, 363 El Camino Real, South San Francisco, Ca. 94080 (952-5666); Honorable John Burton, Assemblyman, 16th District, 711 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 300, San Francisco, Ca. 94102 (557-2253) and Honorable Jackie Speier, Assemblywoman, 19th District, 220 South Spruce Avenue, South San Francisco, Ca. 94080 (871-4100).

Board of Education members will decide, if the cuts happen, what Programs will be cut. If you feel that music and the arts are just as important as math, science and P. E., you should write to them at Board of Education, 135 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, Ca. 94102. The current Board members are: Jo-Anne Miller (President), Libby Denebeim, Carlota del Portillo, Leland Y. Yee, Ph.D., Tom Ammiano, Daniel Kelly and Fred A. Rodriguez. All can be written at the 135 Van Ness address.

题目：社区协调方

市民之助——社区协调方工作的主要成份

撰稿者：Lisa Cheng Romano, 社区组织工作员

星期五晚，接上面的市民之周派对。这已经是本月份的第三次了。外面的音乐即委就像化震时心震波震荡着。现在是零晨二时了，明早七时你还要起来上班去呢。但那些嘈杂的聲個不停。你恨不得把自己的頭蒙和起下来。可是你又能怎样呢？

請急社区協調方。

社区協調方是一個为三方本市民民調解古种纠份，问题的私稽。社区協調方指辦过的案仓，为底成員，業主与租住者或同居者間子同款心问题。生意合夥人，商人与消费者间心纠纷也可心藉着社区協調方心調解過程来調停。

社区協調方讓個人或小组能坐下来說論互相的意見不合心地方註解爭纠纷。一組由三至四人组成心志願調解員協助相方清通。仗们能提供一個安全、中立、及適当心環境。讓相方可心進行協商。社区協調方是为公正中立，不會偏向某一方。各人均有同等机會聆聽对方心意見，增進双方心瞭解。促說論中達成一個雙除之過合文的心(去住律的束性的)協議。

社区協調方心成功率为百分九十。雖如不是百分之百的却能化敵为友。但社協調後，仗们均能更明瞭解对方之真主对方。(日後，仗们也許會成朋友呢！)

協調过程如何？

社区協調方會聆聽你心问题。如果双仗的可心協助調解，双仗的將會進一步索取有関问题之参考考心資料。在獲得你心同意後，双仗的會聯络对方之鼓勵对方出席一個會議。會議中將有二至四位受过訓練心志願人員在場聆取之方面心意見。决不進主于會議是非誰是誰非。但會協助相方達成協議。若達成協議後，所有協議中心細節將由小组中心一位成員记錄下，並由相方簽署。

現時，有超过二百五十位心三藩市居民曾接受过調解過程心訓練。仗们来自不同心行業与階層，並能反映出三藩市不同种族心居民。我們将於二月份在 Visitacion Valley 社区中心舉辦一次社区成員訓練班。地點為：50 Raymond Ave. 我們現正接触地把募有色人种，少說人員，及十二至二十歲间心人仕。如有兴趣参加二月份訓練班，或欲查詢更多有関社区協調方心資料，或欲知道双仗的可心協助你与否，請急 239-6100. 双仗的有會請流事說，西班牙說及英說心工作人員。

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Ciao Pinin
By. Joseph Porter

THE WEDDING

From Lisbon I boarded a freighter to Cardiff. It was a slow going boat and the voyage lasted six days. I was the only passenger on board and I had all the leisure to observe life at sea. They killed their own beef and caught their daily fish. The food was ample and delicious and the skipper went overboard (not really) to indulge his lone passenger.

From Cardiff I took a leisurely train trip through Wales, and from Liverpool it was but one jaunt to the Isle of Man, my destination in the middle of the Irish Sea.

I disembarked at Douglas and rang the bell at 10 Mona Drive.

Miss Kirkman came to the door.

"Joseph!" she screamed. "What a surprise. You finally made it." She hugged and cuddled me like a long lost child.

Miss Anne Kirkman was the typical middle aged British spinster, tall and gaunt, all bones and senews, kind and generous.

I had met the lady while working as a bellhop at the Cote d'Azur in Southern France.

Although of different languages, we instantly communicate.

"Come to see me, Joseph. You'll teach me French and I'll teach you English."

It was years later that I remembered our pact and now, without warning, I was at her doorsteps.

She was all I expected her to be. My mother never spoiled me so much. The maid and the cook were falling all over me. Unable to speak their language I was an object of curiosity.

We were close to the beach and I could go swimming every afternoon. I had it made.

To take advantage of my presence, and to put me to good use, Miss Kirkman decided to buy an automobile, and I became her chauffeur. The island was small and we covered every nook and corner of it.

She insisted on learning to drive and I did my best to teach her.

In the evenings we had our language lessons. I struggled to instruct her in French and she gave me the fundamentals of English.

There is a Manx language on the island but English is officially spoken. And what English! I didn't know the difference then. Suffice a sample of "Cum 'ere, luv!" and you'll know what I mean. In spite of such desecration to me it was a start.

In the summer the island came to life. It was a popular summer resort when the tourists were attracted by the tailless Manx cats, the horse-drawn trolleys and the beautiful beaches which encouraged nude bathing.

There was a spirit of comradery and friendliness all through the island and, to my knowledge, crime was nonexistent.

The least event would be an excuse to gather friends and strangers to a full day of dancing and feasting.

Like the time we were invited to St. John's Kirk to attend the wedding of a young local couple, asimple event which escalated intoan unforgettable experience to be spread far and wide by all who witnessed it.

The betrothed made a suitable match. Jody was a typical Manx fisherman, short and sturdy and strong as a bull. Julie was frail and sweet, with a creamy complexion and a shy disposition.

The crowd was in the hundreds and the ceremony was held in a grove in front of the church. Suddenly all the festivities were hushed and the ceremony began.

"Do you, Jody, take this woman as your lawfully wedded wife?"

"I do!" Proclaimed the bridegroom in a sonorous voice.

"Do you, Julie, take this man as your lawfully wedded husband?"

"I do!" Answered the bride in a clear and distinct voice.

The minister paused and looked at the assembled crowd.

"Be any of you who objects to this marriage let him speak now or forever hold his peace."

At that, unexpectedly a voice rang out, loud and clear.

"I do, I do!"

It was an unprecedented event. Never before had such a thing happened in the Isle of Man.

The revelers were stunned. Jody looked at Julie with agony and doubts. Julie faced Jody with eyes afright with doom and disaster.

People began to wonder and gossip. It was a day to remember, to be spoken of to future generations.

The minister reached his full height and spoke again in a thunderous voice.

"Do you come forward and mouth your piece?"

And again, "I do, I do!" and closed this time, so close that now there was no doubt as from whence it came.

Guided by the sound all eyes flew heavenward. God had spoken! The wedding was not to be!

Julie swayed. She dropped her bridal bouquet and, slowly, sank to the ground. A frantic parent rushed forward with holy water to sprinkle her brow.

A voice broke the spell. The voice of a child.

"Mama, look!" And he pointed to the trees above.

Perched on a branch, head lolling, proudly screeching his newly learned words "I do, I do!" stood the vicar's garrolous parrot.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitacion Valley Community Center Senior Center is sponsoring a Day at the Horse Races on Friday, May 10, 1991. The $30 price includes a chartered bus ride, Program and All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Luncheon. Call Pat Crocker for information at 467-4499.

Department nf Public Health, Health Center #3 at Silver and San Brunn Avenues, has a new District Health Directnr, Madeline Ritchie, R.N., M.P.A. Ms. Ritchie was formerly the manager of a preventive health program for refugees with the Department of Public Health. She can be reached Monday through Friday at 468-1435.

Trip to Sacramento **to protest cuts in education budget.** Meet bus at Civic Center 1:00 PM on April 3, 1991. Returning to San Francisco same day. For info, call your local school.

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April 3: In 1848, the first American public school in San Francisco opened. In 1969, the final sunken section fo the BART Trans-Bay Tube was connected.

April 7: In 1957, Sections of two former cable car routes are combined to form the new Powell & Hyde Sts. line.

April 10: In 1878, Adolph Sutro commenced operation of his steam railroad.

April 11: In 1958, Brooks Hall, a sub-surface auditorium adjacent to the Civic Center Plaza, was dedicated.

April 12: In 1898, the bulk of Yerba Buena Island was transferred by the US Army to the Navy.

April 14: In 1860, after a series of relays from St. Joseph, Missouri, the first pony express rider arrived in San Francisco.

April 15: In 1850, the City of San Francisco was incorporated. In 1926, the Visitacion Valley branch gymnasium of the San Francisco Boy's CLub was officially dedicated. In 1966, dredging operations were commenced in San Francisco Bay for sectional placement of the Trans-Bay Tube.

April 18: In 1868, the San Francisco branch of the S.P.C.A. was established. In 1906, a powerful earthquake with an estimated magnitude of 8.25 on the later established Richter scale shook San Francisco at 5:12 a.m. for nearly a minute. Ruptured gas and water lines contributed to the worst fire in the City's history. In 1907, the Fairmont Hotel was opened.

April 19: In 1850, the British brig Warlock arrived in San Francisco bringing almost 30 of the first Chinese immigrants from Hong Kong. In 1852, the California Historical Society was incorporated. In 1906, in the aftermath of the earthquake, 176 prisoners were transferred to the military prison on Alcatraz from the City's damaged jail.

April 20: In 1958, after decades of service, including 20 years running on the Bay Bridge's lower deck, Key System trains were replaced by buses.

April 21: In 1892, the first buffalo was born in Golden Gate Park. In 1940, the eventual Douglas MacArthur Tunnel in the Presidio was opened.

April 25: In 1945, the newly created United Nations began its first conference in San Francisco.

April 28: In 1854, Howard and Hudson Co. published the City's first Chinese language newspaper, the bilingual Golden Hills' News, to serve California's 25,000 new readers from the Orient.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **San Francisco Recreation & Park Department** is currently offering safe, supervised **Latch Key Programs** throughout the City, Monday through Friday from 2:00 to 6:00 P.M. Program activities include sports, creative arts, field trips, and cultural activities. For additional information, please contact San Francisco Recreation And Park Department's Latch Key Division, located at Aptos Playground, Aptos & Ocean Avenues, at 337-4712 or 666-7033.

The American Heart Association is sponsoring "Jump Rope for Heart", a nationwide campaign to educate school children about physical fitness and to raise money for the Heart Association. Many of the Jump Rope for Heart events will take place on local school playgrounds. For information, you may call Bernie Wagner, San Francisco County Chapter, American Heart Association, 120 Montgomery Street, Suite 1650, San Francisco, Ca. 94104, phone (415) 433-2273.

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USDA FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION for Low Income residents of the 94134 Zip Code area is on the last Thursday of each month at Visitacion Valley Community Center, 66 Raymond Avenue, San Francisco, Ca. 94134. For distribution times call 467-6402.

SUPPORT THE CHILDRENS' AMENDMENT, a Charter Amendment for the November, 1991 ballot. This will create a fund from existing City revenues to guarantee a minimum level of funding for Childrens' Services. Call 206-1331 for information.

SUMMER JOBS FOR YOUTH will be available through Visitacion Valley Community Center. If you are 14 and over and from a low income family, you may be eligible for this Program. Call Denise at 467-6400 to arrange for an interview.

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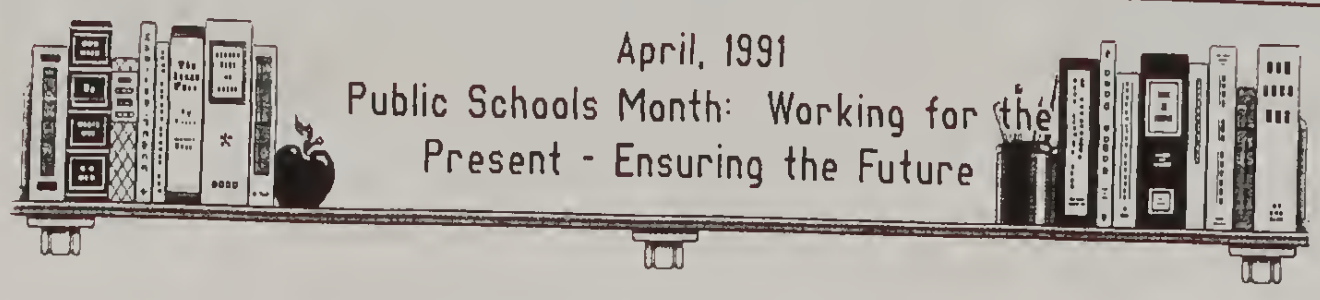
ANNOUNCEMENT

The San Francisco State University's Urban Studies Program is sponsoring a day-long symposium entitled "The Politics of Regional Growth: Ethnic Diversity and the Future of the Bay Area" at San Francisco State University on Monday, April 15, 1991 from 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. All interested citizens and organizations are encouraged to participate. For information, call Frederic Stout at (415) 285-6270.



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MYEEP NEWS--

Being in the MYEEP program has been a great experience for me since I never had a job before. I learned a lot of things, and got better at things I knew about but not that much. I also met people who I enjoyed working with. Even though I only work 2 hours a day, it is alsright because I would of just been hanging outside doing nothing. Being in this program was a good start for me, I also am looking forward to working in the MYEEP in the summertime because I would get to work more hours and meet new people, but I rather work at the same worksite since I'm not familiar with it and familiar with the people there. Since VVCC was my chosen worksite I'd like to thank them for being so kind and helping me fit in.

THANKS A LOT!!!!!! Lydia Lillian Rebollini

MAKING A DIFFERENCE--

With only 2 and 1/2 more months remaining in the Mayor's Youth Employment and Education Program, participants have their sights set on summer. Many MYEEP workers are hoping that their current worksites will be able to develop into summer jobs. Although the afterschool program comes to an end in late May, summer employment is still abailable for the youths of Visitacion Valley/Sunnydale. The Private Industry Council will be providing jobs through 14 city wide agencies, including the Visitacion Valley Community Center...with many thanks to the center's director, Julia Kavanaugh.

Applications are being accepted NOW and positions are limited. If you are interested please give Denise a call at 467-6400.

Otherwise...out in the field, MYEEP participants are continuing to sharpen their valuable work skills in addition to balancing their school and home lives. Recently I spoke with MYEEP participant Sharita Williams.

Sharita has been employed at the Youth Guidance Center since January,

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First San Francisco Children's Center

In September of 1991, the First San Francisco Children's Center will begin a Kindergarten Program. Our Center now serves children from ages 2-5 years with morning classes and extended daycare until 6:00 p.m.

Our Kindergarten Program will commence at 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. with extended daycare until 6:00 p.m. We will be opening our registration in the middle of April/beginning of May. Please keep us in mind. Call our Center at 468-4055 for further information. We look forward to meeting you. Our location is 120 Lathrop Ave., entrance on Tunnel Rd.

ACCESS---

Hey, what is all this stuff about, 'access'? Access, sounds more like a cold remedy to me. But, I sure have been seeing that work a lot; can't be a new dance, and I doubt if it's a cold remedy.

For those who aren't in the know, 'access', or the lack of access has been around for a long, long time. But, seems it's just recently getting better known. For anyone who uses a wheelchair, walker, or has any form of disability that limits their movement, access, is another way of saying, 'their way of getting about.' Of course for those lucky people who don't have any problems getting about, you might not even notice. Going to the store, getting a haircut, picking up your mail, or postage stamps, keeping a doctor's appointment, piece of cake. As long as you've got your feet under you, no problem. But, what if you've had a stroke, or suffered from some sort of injury, or born, "just a 'little' different", in that case, you may not have your feet under you. And, those little errands may not be so simple. It may not be a simple little jaunt to the corner and across the street, it in fact may become a "life-threatening" experience to keep up, causing embarassment, pain, and even a medical set-back! Access, is exactly that, the ability to go to the doctors, do your shopping, mail a letter, go out of the house when you wish, visit with you friends, live your life in a good happy manner, (hopefully) and to hold your head high.

Many, who have been around for some time, but do not rely upon wheelchairs, walkers, canes, whatever, might find it hard to believe that for those of us who do, San Francisco is very awkward and difficult to get about in, especially without the aid of an automobile. Many also might be surprised to know that there are laws, codes (if you will) pertaining to the consturction of sidewalks, curb-ramps, yes even bluezones. I will try to tell you a little about these laws, as I know of them (new codes are always being added, as well as places to report violaions to). Unfortunately, I am limited to space, so I will cover only the two most abused.

Here in San Francisco, there is of course, the Department of Public Works, and that is where one should report violations to: Mr. Richard, who is the Chairperson fo teh Department of Public Works Accessibility Advisory 'Task Force', at 1390 market Street, (94102). One could also send violations to Ms. Rina Cutler, Executive Director of Parking and Traffice, 25 Van Ness avenue (94102), for violations regarding traffic lights (too fast or slow, or not working) autos failing to yield to right of way on a regular basis. It might also be helpful, if you list the various offices you wish your letter to go to ('C.C.'). In this way, your complaint will become a 'matter of record', and that might be most helpful, at a latter date.

'QUICK PRIMER'

The angle or degree of the slope of the ramp should not be greater than, one inch per twelve inches (1" X 12"). That should allow a fairly easy ride, up or down. The 'lip' or junction where the street (black-top) and the concrete meet should not be more than one half an inch (1/2"). The sidewalk should be in good repair, no major holes or obstacles that cause injury to someone.

If you should have a problem, contact The Department of Public Works, at the address given earlier.

BLUE ZONES---

Although, with so much publicity, 'blue-zones', their use, and by who is almost 'self-explanatory', they are ONLY for the use of the diable, and only persons with a current placard or disabled persons license are allowed to park in one. The reason why there are blue-zones are persons needing to unload wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, etc., need more room, away from traffic to do so. Also, blue-zones are generally located close to medical facilities, doctors' offices, or medical suppliers. Sometimes they are also located in the street for the ease of the public. In up to date parking lots, there is a statute that states, that there should be one blue-zone parking location per twenty-eight other locations. These statutes are also enforcible, and violators should be reported to Ms. Rina Cutler, Executive Director, Department of Parking and Traffic, 25 Van Ness Avenue (94102). NOT ONLY AN ADVISOR--I'M ALSO A USER!!! Jack C. Bergess

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where she works in the Juvenile Probation Department. Her job duties include general office work such as typing, filing, copying and answering the phones...Supervisor Mary Foster couldn't be happier with Sharita's job performance and hopes that Sharita will continue to work there through the summer...SHARITA--THANKS FOR MAKING MYEEP LOOK SO GOOD!!!

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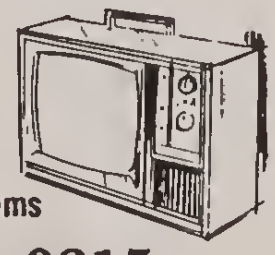

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